



# National Weather Service

## Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena



March 2002

Location	Date	Time Local/ Standard	Path Length (Miles)	Path Width (Yards)	Number of Persons Killed	Number of Persons Injured	Estimated Damage Property	Estimated Damage Crops	Character of Storm
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### CONNECTICUT, Northeast

NONE REPORTED.

### MASSACHUSETTS, Central and East

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Nantucket

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High Wind (G52)<sup>M</sup>

A wind gust to 60 mph was recorded at Nantucket Memorial Airport.

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Western Franklin - Northern Worcester - Western Middlesex - Western Hampshire - Western Hampden

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Heavy Snow

A late season winter storm brought heavy snow to the higher elevations of western and north central Massachusetts. Storm totals of 6 to 8 inches were widely reported in western parts of Franklin, Hampshire, and Hampden Counties. Amounts of 5 to 9 inches were observed in northern Worcester County, and totals averaged 4 to 8 inches in western Middlesex County, primarily north and west of Interstate 495. Dozens of accidents were reported as a result of slippery roads and poor visibility. Two injuries were indirectly attributed to the storm. A father and son were involved in an accident in Tewksbury, when the car they were riding in struck another vehicle head-on during the height of the storm.

A strengthening low pressure system passed south of New England on the 20th, bringing 3 to 6 inches of snow to much of interior Massachusetts before an eventual change to rain. Only the higher elevations remained all snow during the storm. Rain fell from Bristol and Plymouth Counties to Cape Cod and the Islands.

### NEW HAMPSHIRE, Southern

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Cheshire - Hillsborough

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Heavy Snow

A late season winter storm brought heavy snow to the higher elevations of southern New Hampshire. Storm totals of 5 to 10 inches were widely reported in Cheshire and Hillsborough Counties. Some specific totals include 10 inches at MacDowell Dam; 9 inches in Jaffrey, Franconstown, Hillsborough, and Peterborough; and 8 inches in Walpole, Marlow, and Keene. Totals of 6 inches were reported in Dublin, Winchester, Swanzey, Nashua, Merrimac, and Hudson.

Several hundred electric customers were left without power. Dozens of accidents were also reported, with 6 injuries indirectly attributed to the storm. In Chesterfield, a series of accidents closed a portion of Route 63. Traffic slowed to a crawl on the F.E. Everett Turnpike during the afternoon and evening due to poor visibility and slippery roads.

### RHODE ISLAND

NONE REPORTED.